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Dear Parents/Guardians,

It is with heart-felt thanks that I write to you after what can only be described as an extremely challenging eighteen months for us all.

I am so proud of all our children, for their adaptability and flexibility across the whole year. The children have approached every new challenge with resilience, grit determination and a wide smile. Throughout the lockdown periods, I was delighted with the engagement of the children both in school and out of school. On return to school in March, many children again demonstrated their versatility settling back into classroom and welcoming their peers back into school. Despite these unique circumstances and challenges that this year has provided, our children have made fabulous progress academically, socially and emotionally, proving that they are excellent ambassadors of St. Augustine's. Thank you children - you are such wonderful individuals!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you, parents/guardians, for supporting your children throughout lockdown. I understand just how much of a challenge this was for many of you who were also working from home and looking after other siblings. Without your unwavering support, the children would have had a very different experience and would have struggled to adapt so well. Thank you also to all our families who are key workers for all that you are continually doing for our community during the pandemic.

Finally, the staff, I would like to thank the staff for making St. Augustine's such a special place for all to be a part of. Staff have worked so incredibly hard the entire year, never faltering in their approach and upholding the school mission statement, 'Lead us Lord to act justly, to love tenderly and to walk humbly.' Never have I felt so humbled to lead such an amazing group of people and I am delighted that you hold them in such high regard, which is what they truly deserve.

We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 6th September. I will write to you again closer to September to inform you of any changes in terms of entry/exit, procedures and protocol. In the meantime, I sincerely hope that you enjoy time with your children over the summer. I wish all the very best to our leavers (pupils and staff) and wish that they continue to prosper and shine in all that they choose to do.

Have a lovely relaxing summer.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Emma Berry
(Headteacher)